

Appliances – If handled improperly, appliances can damage the environment because many contain freon, PCBs, and mercury. *Appliance definition per Minn § 115A.03* : clothes washers and dryers, dishwashers, hot water heaters, furnaces and heatpumps, garbage disposals, trash compactors, conventional and microwave ovens, ranges and stoves, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, refrigerators and freezers.

Reduce – Buy quality appliances that are durable and energy savers. Run dishwashers, washing machines and dryers only when full. Dry clothes outside whenever possible. Use ceiling and floor fans instead of air conditioners.

Reuse – Donate working appliances to charities or friends. Sell them at garage sales or through newspaper ads. Consider buying a used appliance instead of purchasing new.

Repair – Repair old appliances when possible. However, very old appliances may be energy hogs. You may save more energy and money in the long run by replacing old appliances with newer energy efficient models.

Recycle – Depending on the size and type, designated St. Louis County facilities will accept 2 appliances per customer per trip at no charge. The County hires an authorized appliance recycler, who is licenced to handle hazardous waste, to transport and dismantle the collected appliances. Hazardous substances must be removed from appliances, and only by a licensed person.

Some new appliance dealers will take your old appliance when you buy a new one. Make sure that they are using an authorized appliance recycler.

Appliances can be recycled at the following locations:

- Ash River Trail Canister Site – 11391 Ash River Trail, Orr
- Aurora Transfer Station – 6910 Hwy 135 N., Aurora
- Balkan Township Canister Site – 11489 Vlasich Rd., Chisholm
- Brookston Transfer Station – 8609 Hwy 2, Brookston
- Cook Transfer Station – 2134 S. Beatty Rd., Cook
- Cotton Canister Site – 8476 Hwy 53, Cotton
- French Canister Site – 7150 Greenrock Rd, Side Lake
- Hibbing Transfer Station – 3994 Landfill Rd., Hibbing
- Lavelle Canister Site - 3175 Hwy 25, Cherry
- Makinen Canister Site – 6327 Long Lake Rd, Makinen
- Northwoods Transfer Station, 9384 Hwy 21 N., Ely
- Orr Canister Site – 4036 Hwy 53, Orr
- Portage Canister Site – 6992 Crane Lake Rd., Buyck
- St. Louis County Regional Landfill, 5341 Regional Landfill Rd., Virginia
- Soudan Canister Site, 5160 Hwy 169, Soudan

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